

Risk assessment

Name of activity, event, and location	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pennine St Georges Day • Crate Climbing • Springfield Park, Marland, Rochdale 	Date of risk assessment	01/12/2025	Name of person doing this risk assessment	Matthew Rush
		Date of next review	01/12/2026		

What could go wrong? What hazard have you identified? What are the risks from it?	Who is at risk?	What are you going to do about it? How are the risks already controlled? What extra controls are needed? How will they be communicated to young people and adults and remain inclusive to all needs?	Review & revise What has changed that needs to be thought about and controlled?
Slips and Trips	All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Advise to wear appropriate footwear. + Advise that ground may be slippery. + Be aware of tree roots 	
Safeguarding	All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Leaders to question any suspicious figures and report it to the marshals, DLV or event lead. + Fire assembly point to be pointed out at the start of the service after the colour party has entered. + No parents allowed in the area where the service will be held. + Any young person separated from their group will return to the stage where the event lead will be. This will be pointed out at the start of the service after the colour party has entered. 	
Wet Weather	All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Everyone to be advised to bring coats. + Groups have the option to put up shelters. + Go/No Go call on parade and activities to be made by event leader and DLV depending on weather. 	
Geese and other Animals	All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Do not feed or touch any animals + Avoid running at them 	

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Wash hands after any contact if it cannot be helped + Watch out for poo 	
Steep Hills	All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Stick to paths and main scouting grassed area + No running 	
Climber slips on those below	All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Keep those not climbing out of danger area. + All to wear safety helmets. 	
Climber falls due to faulty or incorrectly fitted equipment.	All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + All equipment to be inspected before and after each activity. + Check that all equipment is fitted correctly. + All equipment must have a log of use. + Ensure all rigging is correct. + Monthly checks to be conducted by site 	
Injury from falling objects.	All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + All to wear helmets. + All climbers to empty pockets of objects that may cause harm, i.e.; mobile phones. 	
Injury caused through a medical condition.	All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Ensure the activity is suitable for that person. + Ensure they carry medication for their condition. + Monitor them regularly. 	
Hypothermia or heat exhaustion	All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Ensure all are suitably clothed + Ensure all have some extra clothes + Ensure all have adequate food and drink for the activity. + Monitor the condition of the group regularly. 	
Injury due to lack of concentration	All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Ensure no more than 3 youths inside the activity perimeter per 1 instructor 	

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		+ Groups Leaders to monitor youths behaviour and remove if danger risk is too high	
Falling Crates	All	+ All to wear helmets. + Ensure that there is a fence distanced 3 meters in each direction as a minimum from the crate climber + Metal barriers to be used closest to the road to avoid crates entering the road	
Tree – Branch Snaps	All	+ Tree to be in good health + Park Warden/RBC to be consulted	
Tree – Damaged by activity	All	+ Tree to be protected from rope work	
Tree – Inspection	All	+ Tree to be inspected before the event by a professional + Report to be provided and shared	
Inpropper Setup	All	+ Instructor to follow setup document + Setup document to be signed off at County level + Will be tried and tested before the event	

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